

He termed General Eisenhower "a dedicated, conscious agent of the Communist conspiracy." He added of Eisenhower, "There is only one possible word to describe his purpose and actions. That word is treason."

Others he attacked as "agents" or "supporters" of communism included Allen Dulles, Gen. George Marshall, and Dr. Milton Eisenhower.

Welch's equivalent of "Mein Kampf" is the Blue Book, a transcript of the 2-day monolog he delivered to 11 anonymous men at Indianapolis in December 1958.

This blue book is the biggest mishmash of pseudo philosophy, mangled religion, poetry and jumbled history ever offered to the American public.

In the United States, Welch asserts that as of July 1, 1960 the Communists have a 40 percent minimum of total control. He fulminates against what he calls Communist influence over press, radio, and television. He says preachers "use their pulpits to preach outright communism."

In his view, even the American Medical Association has been seduced and the chamber of commerce "infiltrated" by Communists.

Then comes his conclusion, "that American support of the international Communist conspiracy is now the backbone of its strength and has been for many years."

Robert Welch is a Fascist-minded demagog. He has made it clear that the type of government he advocates would be against civil rights and hysterically antilabor. He hopes to weld the agents—the spreaders of racial hate, the bully boys, and the lunatic rightwing fringe everywhere into a political movement for power. His plan apes Mussolini's "Squadristas." No doubt later will come the castor oil and horsewhips.

Since the witchhunts of early 1950's, some of our fellow citizens have enjoyed seeing spooky things under their neighbors' beds. Not only do some persons see Communists and other spooks under beds, but like legendary old maids, they hold their skirts from imaginary mice. The John Birch society preys on those fears.

The radicals of the right in many communities have been practicing character assassination without regard for the truth, threatening merchants with boycotts, threatening college professors and school principals with dismissal. They spread fear, hatred and suspicion. They even propose infiltrating such fine, worthwhile civic organizations as the Parent-Teachers' Association.

In my judgment, the Fascist-minded John Birch society organizers are as serious a threat to our security and way of life as is internal communism. Unfortunately many well meaning men and women are being duped by the mercenary promoters of this ultrarightwing society—or group of cells with secret membership lists modeled on the Communist Party.

Mr. President, on the front page of today's Washington Post and Times Herald appears the report of an interview with a former Russian spy,

Anatoli Granovsky. Mr. Granovsky was formerly a captain of political intelligence in the ministry of state security of the Soviet Union in 1945 and 1946. Earlier he had been a member of the NKVD, the Soviet secret police. He is evidently a man well experienced in Russian subversive techniques and eminently qualified to speak on this subject. It is noteworthy that Mr. Granovsky is quoted as saying:

The Soviet Communists would sacrifice a thousand American Communists to save the John Birch Society, for instance. I don't mean the Birch Society is Communist infiltrated. It doesn't have to be. By discrediting prominent Americans, it confuses the population about whom to trust.

The article also points out methods used by Mr. Granovsky and other Soviet agents in destroying democracy in Czechoslovakia and replacing it with communism. It states:

The Soviets also used tactics to divide Protestants and Catholics, Czechoslovakians, Sudeten-Germans and Slovaks, and to discredit businessmen, he said. Czechoslovakia was a highly developed country, the only one in eastern Europe to maintain a democratic form of government between the two world wars, and had a high standard of living. "Not just backward countries, but any community or country can thus be destroyed," declared the former NKVD man.

Mr. President, if these are the tactics required to undermine a free society and democratic institutions and therefore pave the way for communism, the leaders of the John Birch Society are unwittingly acting as the handmaidens of the Soviet Union. In their attempt to spread fascism—a sister ideology of communism—these leading John Birchites are in reality furthering Communist aims.

As I have said before, we should not have a congressional investigation of the John Birch Society. These rightwing, wrong-minded radicals, misguided as they are, have the right to organize, collect dues, make ludicrous claims and seek to discredit worthy, loyal and devoted Congressmen and jurists.

We have the means and the will to inform the people. With the people informed, I have no doubt that this totalitarianism of the right will be rejected and our great American system of government and our traditional American way of life will continue to flourish.

While jousting with alleged Communists they falsely claim are among their neighbors and faculties of our colleges and in the clergy, these pseudo-Fascists make no mention of Communist aggression from abroad. Their real interest is not in helping to prevent the spread of communism but rather to undermine our own basic institutions in order to better enable them to seize power and turn America into a Fascist state.

Deluded people persuaded to join the John Birch Society would do well to repudiate mercenary Fascist-minded demagogues who have been misleading and deceiving them.

Regarding the so-called John Birch Society, Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy stated:

They make no contribution, in my estimation, to fight against communism here in the

United States. In fact, I think if anything, they are a hindrance.

I fully agree with this statement by the chief legal officer of our Government. The American people know that the present grave danger to this Nation and to the peace of the world comes

#### JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY LEADERS USE TACTICS HINDERING FIGHT AGAINST COMMUNISM

Mr. YOUNG of Ohio. Mr. President, to meet the challenges posed by Communist imperialism in this grim period of international anarchy, our country needs the harmonious accord of all our people.

The organization which now is doing the most to undermine national unity is the John Birch Society, so-called. Only the lack so far, of M-1 rifles and a military organization separates the John Birch Society and its duce Mussolini. Robert Welch, from fascism and modernism. His doctrine is fascism and his goal is power. He is aping Adolf Hitler and using the tactics Hitler used on his road to power.

The Fascist-minded dictator who runs the John Birch Society with an iron hand once sought office through democratic channels. In 1950 he was defeated in the Republican nomination for Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts. His campaign failed miserably. Frustrated by his lack of personal political success, Welch turned against the political process itself, and against our form of government.

This demagog of the far right has written:

Democracy is merely a deceptive phrase, a weapon of demagogery, and a perennial fraud.

In his privately circulated book, "Politician," Welch said the "Supreme Court is a nest of snakes and worse."